

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takeru SHIBATA      Art Unit: N/A  
Application No. N/A      Examiner: N/A  
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Title: MEDICAL NEEDLE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents      Submitted: 01/06/2005  
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.